

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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T.O., a minor through his
Guardian Ad Litem Hannah
Morris, Individually and as
Personal Representative of the
Estate of AMY WAYNE MORRIS,
Deceased, and S.O., a minor
through his Guardian Ad Litem
Hannah Morris, Individually and
as Personal Representative of
the Estate of AMY WAYNE MORRIS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

COUNTY OF NEVADA, a
Governmental Entity; WELLPATH,
LLC, a Delaware limited
liability company; NATIVIDAD
RICKS, RN; JENNIFER PIXLEY, RN;
JOSEPH BRITTON, MD; and DOES 1
through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

No. 2:24-cv-1131 WBS AC

ORDER RELATING CASES

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Guardian Ad Litem Hannah
Morris, Individually and as
Personal Representative of the
Estate of AMY WAYNE MORRIS,
Deceased, and S.O., a minor
through his Guardian Ad Litem
Hannah Morris, Individually and
as Personal Representative of
the Estate of AMY WAYNE MORRIS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MICHAEL O'BRIEN, Individually,
Defendant.

No. 2:24-cv-3243 DJC CKD

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Examination of the above-entitled actions reveals that they are related within the meaning of Local Rule 123(a), because both cases are brought by the same plaintiffs bringing similar claims in connection with the death of Amy Wayne Morris, albeit against different defendants. Accordingly, if the cases are not consolidated, at least the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to effect a substantial saving of judicial effort and is also likely to be convenient for the parties.

The parties should be aware that relating the cases under Local Rule 123 merely has the result that both actions are assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the actions is effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related cases are generally assigned to the judge and magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

1 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the actions denominated
2 T.O. v. County of Nevada, 2:24-cv-1131 WBS AC, and T.O. v.
3 O'Brien, 2:24-cv-3243 DJC CKD, be, and the same hereby are,
4 deemed related. The case denominated T.O. v. O'Brien, 2:24-cv-
5 3243 DJC CKD, shall be reassigned to Judge WILLIAM B. SHUBB. Any
6 dates currently set in the reassigned case only are hereby
7 VACATED. Henceforth, the captions on documents filed in the
8 reassigned case shall be shown as T.O. v. O'Brien, 2:24-cv-3243
9 WBS AC.

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make
11 an appropriate adjustment in the assignment of cases to
12 compensate for this reassignment.

13 Dated: June 2, 2025


WILLIAM B. SHUBB
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE